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Elementary school grades, Junior High School and High School grades are indicated by numbers in parenthesis following each title. Numbers 1-6 are used to indicate elementary school, numbers 7-8 indicate junior high school, numbers 9-12, high school—as this seems to be the generally accepted system of grading used in the northern states.

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Prices have been included for each title on the list. In a few cases a title may be out of print now, certain of them are sure to be—when a title was, nevertheless, of marked value for the list it was included, as it was hoped it might *already be* in many public libraries and school libraries. Prices are given when they could be found, but since prices change frequently, they could not be given in all cases.

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The Constitution

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(Grades 10-12)
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America series, Yale Univ. Press, 1921. \$1.50).
(Grades 10-12)
- Greene, E. B., *The Foundations of American Nationality* (Ameri-
can Book Company. \$3.00). (Grades 10-12)
- Hendrick, Burten J., *Bulwark of the Republic* (Little Brown and
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- Higgins, A. M., *We the People* (World Book Company, 1924. 32c).
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- Norton, T. J., *The Constitution of the United States: Its Sources and Application* (Little Brown and Company, 1925. \$2.00). (Grades 10-12)
- Rodell, Fred, *Fifty-five Men, The Story of the American Constitution* (Telegraph Press, 1936. \$2.50, pamphlet 15c). (Grades 9-12)
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